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MEMORANDUM FOR: EA/TR

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report

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1. [REDACTED] attended the three day Defense Language Institute conference at Allenberry Lodge in Pennsylvania from 9 to 11 September. The program was centered about the theme "Evaluation" and the whole spectrum of language training activities from objectives to classroom techniques to supervision were covered. The conference was well organized. The typical pattern of presentation was a speaker, followed by a panel discussion followed by general discussion. The presentations and tone of the conference were more parochially oriented to DLI than the previous conference. As a result fewer outsiders were invited. Other guests were representatives of FSI and NSA. One is once again struck by the enormity of the DLI effort involving several tens of thousands of students trained in the U.S. every year and an overseas English program involving over 100,000 persons yearly. The DLI staff seems especially well qualified and marked by an extreme dedication to the DLI mission. The Agency's language training program, though miniscule in comparison to DLI's, compares favorably in quality and shares the same kind of problems as those discussed at the conference.

2. We held our first meeting with the newly elected IS Faculty

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Committee with them and specifically asked them to examine the question of how to increase professionalism among the faculty as well as to begin thinking about plans for the annual International Luncheon.

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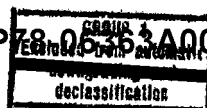
3. The DCOS, Saigon, [REDACTED] has reported greater satisfaction with the recent graduates of our Vietnamese-language program. These are the groups that have stayed the full 11 months and, after completing other training, received a two-week refresher course before going overseas. They were also the first groups to study Communist documents in detail as requested by the station last year. He also indicated the desirability of more language training for all personnel going to Vietnam.

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4. [REDACTED] Chief, Romance Lang. Department, is giving a course in French Phonology with special emphasis on the native English speaker as a student of French. The course is being offered to 10 new students one hour a day during the three-week Pimsleur Program.

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5. Personnel Notes

- a. [REDACTED] attended the Support Services Review ; 25X1A9a
Trends & Highlights this week. 25X1A9a
- b. [REDACTED] attended the ADP Orientation
Course this week. 25X1A9a
- c. [REDACTED] joined the LS staff on 14 September. She
will concentrate on Language Development Committee matters.

6. Language School Statistics

Students and Classes for the week 14-18 September 1970:

Students

Full-time - 71
Part-time -180 (49 Hqs)
(100 BAHLT)

Classes

Full-time - 30
Part-time - 46 (11 Hqs)
(8 BAHLT)

Language laboratory hours for the week of 8 - 11 September 1970:

Language School - 52
Headquarters - 32

Twenty-two language proficiency tests were administered during the
week 8 - 11 September.

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